

CHILDREN & FAMILIES COMMISSION OF FRESNO COUNTY

**Regular Meeting
July 11, 2001 - 3:00 p.m.**

**Children & Families Commission Offices
University of California Building
550 E. Shaw, Suite 215
Fresno, CA**

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1

Recommendations:

Approve Commission Minutes - June 20, 2001 Special Meeting

MINUTES OF THE JUNE 20, 2001 SPECIAL MEETING

Present: Executive Director Steve Gordon, Chair Bob Waterston, Vice Chair Luisa Medina, Commissioners Gary Carozza, Marion Karian, Kathleen McIntyre, LeeAnn Parry

Absent: Commissioners Roseanne Lascano and Oscar Sablan (both excused)

A quorum was established and Commissioner Waterston called the meeting to order at 2:25 p.m.

1. Approve Commission Minutes – June 6, 2001

Commissioner Medina moved to approve the June 6, 2001 minutes as presented. The motion was approved with no objections.

2. Discuss and Approve Funding Recommendations for the Mini-Grant Program.

Executive Director Gordon stated that at the June 6 meeting of the Commission, questions were raised regarding the recommended awards to some applicants. Because several applicants focused on “capital” projects, the Commission questioned the appropriateness of the allocation formula of \$200 per child for materials and supplies. Therefore, the Commission specifically identified seven applicants for further review whose emphasis was on capital projects and/or acquisitions. Staff was directed to conduct further investigation and to bring back revised recommendations to the Commission. This directed review has been completed and the revised recommendations are being presented for approval as follows:

Azparren Family Child Care	\$2,756.00
Chittum Day Care	\$3,760.00
Emma’s Day Care	\$3,240.00
Gloria’s Child Care	\$4,173.00
Holley Day Care	\$3,090.00
Kahlon Kids	\$3,900.00
Thomason Day Care	\$4,900.00

Commissioner Medina moved (McIntyre second) that the mini-grants be funded as recommended. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Discuss and Approve Financial Report for period ending April 30, 2001

Commissioner Carozza (Karian second) moved to accept the financial report for period ending April 30, 2001 as presented. Motion approved unanimously.

4. Discuss and Approve FY 2001-2002 Budget

Director Gordon requested pulling this item for approval from the agenda and opened a general discussion on the FY2001-2002 budget. He presented an overview of revenue, expenditures, encumbrances and the projected budget. He stated that he will recommend that the Commission fund operations and projects out of the anticipated revenues for the next fiscal year (approximately \$10 million). He further stated that the Commission will have expended or encumbered approximately \$27 million of projected revenue of \$34 million in FY 2000-01. The anticipated \$14 million in tax revenue will be closer to \$11 million because of unanticipated State obligations. This leaves approximately \$4 million excess in the FY00-01 budget. It is recommended that this surplus be put in a "children's sustainability fund" for the future. Joy Grado, Marjorie Mason Center, expressed her support to the sustainability program proposed.

5. Discuss and Approve Extension of FY 2000-01 Budget with spending authority to July 11, 2001.

Director Gordon stated that a revised FY 2001-02 budget proposal would be ready for review for the July 11 regularly scheduled Commission meeting. Commissioner Carozza (Medina second) moved to approve an extension of the FY00-10 budget with spending authority through July 11, 2001. Motion approved unanimously.

6. Public Comment

Alena Singh, Kahlon Kids, thanked the Commission for the grant extended to her center. In reflection, Commissioner Medina requested pictures of centers and the children served which have received funding. Medina also suggested that the CFCF logo be displayed at centers receiving funding, as well as suggesting the Commission tour centers and invite the media to show the public where the taxes from cigarettes and tobacco products are going.

Adjournment: Commissioner Waterston adjourned the meeting at 3:14 p.m.